



ALBERT SPEAKS IN WHITLOCK'S HOME CITY

Addresses Citizens of Toledo
From Library Steps; Then
Leaves for Chicago

By International News Service.
On Board King Albert's Special
Train, Amboy, O., Oct. 7.—King Albert, from the windows of his sleeping car this morning, got a glimpse of the middle West. At midnight his train stopped at Amboy, a siding of the New York Central road, six miles east of Ashland.

At a quick his train resumed its journey, passing slowly through Cleveland on its way to Toledo, the home of Grand Whitlock, American Ambassador to Belgium. The King made a speech from the steps of the Public Library in Toledo and immediately returned for Chicago. He will arrive there at 8:30 p. m.

At Omaha, at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, he will take from the platform of his car during a fifteen-minute stop, and at Ogden, Utah, another fifteen-minute stop will be made. He will reach Chicago at 10:45 a. m., departing an hour later for San Francisco. The day will be spent at Santa Barbara, where he and the Queen and the Crown Prince will stay about four days.

Queen Elizabeth is looking forward to the sea bathing at Santa Barbara.

Advertisements.

ACTRESS TELLS SECRET

Tells How to Darken Gray Hair
With a Home-Made Mixture.

Jockey Williams, the well-known actress, who was recently playing at the Imperial Theatre in St. Louis, made the following statement about gray hair and how to darken it.

"Anyone can prepare a simple mixture at home that will darken gray, streaked or faded hair, and make it soft and glossy. To a half-pint of water add 1 ounce of bay rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and 3/4 ounce of glycerine."

These ingredients can be bought at any drug store at very little cost. Apply to the hair twice a week until the desired shade is obtained. This will make a gray-haired person look twenty years younger. It does not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off.

Boston Girl Goes to Chicago to Wed Tomorrow



Miss Martha Poirer.

Miss Martha Poirer of No. 1375 Commonwealth avenue left Boston today for Chicago, where tomorrow she will become the bride of Lieutenant William Freund, formerly of the Transport Motor Corps. The prospective bridegroom is now stationed in the rubber business in Chicago.

The couple will spend their honeymoon motoring through the West, after which they will make their home in Chicago.

TRADE UNION COLLEGE CLASSES BEGIN TONIGHT

The opening classes of the Boston Trade Union College in the Roxbury High School of Practical Arts will assemble this evening at 8 o'clock. Professor Morris will begin his course in English composition. Other classes to begin this week are Literature and Labor, this evening; Law, Physical Science, Practice in Discussion, Wednesday evening; Philosophy, History of Government, Economics, Thursday evening.

LONG ASSASSIN DAY STATE FEE PAID TO COX

Says Latter Got \$3,000 as Railway Auctioneer and Currier \$62,500

Lieutenant-governor Channing H. Cox received \$3,000 for selling an auctioneer for the Bay State Street Railway Company, Richard H. Long, Democratic candidate for governor, told audiences at Worcester, Spencer and Leicester.

Mr. Long, who talked at considerable length on the street railway auction, also accused friends of Governor Coolidge of having received large sums from the receivers of this road.

The recent report of the Bay State reversionary shows that Lieutenant-governor Cox received \$3,000 for selling an auctioneer for the Bay State Company, said Mr. Long.

"Currier, Young & Pillsbury, of which firm Mr. Currier is known as 'King of the Lobby' and high in the publication circles, a strong supporter of Governor Coolidge, received \$42,500 for services. A State street firm, Rogers, Gray, Boyden & Perkins, for expenses and services received \$42,500."

Mr. Boyden, who is known as a supporter of Governor Coolidge, recently been appointed by Governor Coolidge on the street railway situation.

"I and the Crown Prince will think it proper for Lieutenant-governor Cox to receive \$3,000 from the bankrupt railroad corporation on the eve of its entering the control of the public? Do you think it proper for a firm in which your supporter, Mr. Currier, is the leading member, to receive \$42,500 for services?"

CONGRATULATE PHELAN ON MERCIER PROGRAM

Friends of James J. Phelan were congratulating him today on the success of his plans of entertainment for Cardinal Mercier. As chairman of the mayor's reception committee of twenty-five prominent citizens, Mr. Phelan's plans were carried out without a hitch. All details of the prelate's visit were supervised by Mr. Phelan.

JOINS STATE GUARD AS A LAST RESORT

After seven unsuccessful attempts to enlist in various branches of the U. S. Service, Francis N. Pratt of East Weymouth joined the State Guard as a last resort. When the Boston police went on strike Pratt was one of the first to enlist although it necessitated closing up his business.

STRIKE TIES UP CAR LINES TO FITCHBURG

Worcester Consolidated Refuses to Reinstate Discharged Employee; Walkout Results

Worcester, Oct. 7.—Service on the Leominster-Fitchburg street railway system was crippled today by a strike of motormen and conductors. The men walked out early in the day after the management of the Worcester Consolidated Street Railway Company had refused to reinstate an employee who was discharged last week.

Two employees are members of Division 25 of the Consolidated system. The lines affected by the strike are those between Leominster and Fitchburg, Leominster and Clinton, Fitchburg and Worcester and Clinton and Ayer. Thousands of persons could not go to their work, while others were forced to walk or patronize auto trails which had been pressed into service as jitneys.

Edward J. Reagan, who was employed at the Leominster barns of the company, is the cause of the strike. He had been discharged, and the union claimed this was not justified. It had demanded his reinstatement, and gave the company until midnight last night to accede.

General Manager Harry Page of the Worcester Consolidated claimed that Reagan "put himself out of a job," and refused to take the man back.

There are indications that the strike, if not settled at once, will spread to the Fitchburg division of the company. The number of men on strike is said to be between 80 and 100.

U. S. LOSSES CANADIAN TRADE BY HIGH RATES

Washington, Oct. 7.—Unless the high rate of exchange between the United States and Canada is adjusted, Canadian trade will be directed to other sources, according to advice received by the Department of Commerce today. The rate, now more than 4 per cent, on New York, is causing merchants at St. John, N. B., to buy goods in bulk from the United States, the American consul there reports, and as a consequence many orders have been diverted from the States to Great Britain. A large Canadian bank states that the advance in the premium is affecting imports and depends upon raw materials from the United States.

Chronic Boy Stowaway, Back Sixth Time, Fears 'Bums' Rush

New York, Oct. 7.—"Anybody who thinks I'm going to stay in Europe after the A. E. F. has left has another guess coming."

This was the way Mike Gilkooly, fifteen, the Belgian boy chronic stowaway, spoke when he arrived for the sixth time as a stowaway after having been deported four times. Mike came in on the transport Orisaba which he boarded at Brest.

"I guess they'll take me to Ellis Island and give me the bum's rush," said Mike. "I'm sick of ocean travel, but so long as the Statue of Liberty stands I'll keep on coming back till they let me stay here."

"Why can't the immigration officers let me up on me? Why can't I be an American? My people are dead; I can work; I've got \$21, and lots of people would be glad to give me a job."

"The last time I was sent back I arrived at Brest on September 24. If there's a bum town in the world it's Brest. I stood it three days, then the Orisaba left and I got aboard. As usual, the gang on the boat was good to me."

Ship officers said Mike's discovery came about when two army captains heard him coaxing two cabinette numbers, to wit, "seven" and "eleven," to "come." He was placed in the No. 1239 Commonwealth avenue.

200 NEGROES HELD FOR UPRISING

Three More Killed in Elaine, Ark.; Roundup of Riot Inciters

Elaine, Ark., Oct. 7.—Soldiers and organized civilians are continuing their search today for ransomed negroes who plotted an uprising against the whites. Three more negroes have been killed, two of them while resisting arrest and the third while attempting to escape from the stockade at Elaine.

The military authorities have spread a net for Robert L. Hill, who represented himself as a government agent and president of the Progressive Farmers' Household Union, the organization charged with being responsible for the uprising.

More than 250 negroes are under arrest in connection with the plot that was designed to wipe out the white population. They are confined at the stockade at Elaine.

Prominent Old Fellow Dead

New Bedford, Oct. 7.—James Harrington Sherman, for fifty years prominent in Old Fellows circles, is dead at the age of seventy-one. He was also a Mason.

TRUCK CRUSHED TO PIECES BY 2 TROLLEYS

Driver and Two Sons, Extricated From Wreckage in Chelsea, Are Found Uninjured

An automobile truck driven by Morris Hamblin of Haverhill, was caught between two moving Bay State cars on Chelsea street, Charlestown, today, and crushed into a tangled mass of debris. Hamblin and his two sons, who were riding with him, had an extraordinary escape from serious injury.

Several hundred trolley passengers and pedestrians saw the accident. One woman fainted and was taken to the Relief Hospital. Several became hysterical.

Hamblin's sons, one sixteen and the other five, were taken from the wreckage to safety through one of the trolley cars. Grooving with which the truck was loaded were tilted over the roadway for a distance of twenty feet.

The trolley cars were going in opposite directions. Hamblin, in trying to avoid the one in front, got in the way of the one in the rear. His wagon was bumped, wedged in between the two moving vehicles, and crushed.

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Polo silverstone is the material in this serviceable coat, which is lined to the waist and has a wide convertible collar. The pockets, buttons and belt give smartness and the coat is well tailored throughout.

At \$35 Sketch B

This coat of diagonal mixture has lapped seams, French seal collar and ample pockets. It is lined throughout and has full straight lines. This coat is presented in various tones of brown, navy and polo mixture.

At \$65 Sketch C

There is a grace and tailored effectiveness in this coat of Lincoln blue velour. The coat is lined throughout with striped taffeta, has deep wide pockets, narrow belt, large buttons and full French seal collar. This style is produced in several desirable colors such as brown, taupe and navy.

The Question of Shoes

IN these days of scarcity of merchandise and high prices it is particularly important to make every dollar you spend bring its return in 100% value.

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Now as to prices: Shoes are high, but they are not out of proportion to all other classes of merchandise. The highest grade shoes today cost from \$18 to \$25 per pair; but it is not always necessary to pay these prices. Our prices begin at \$9, and range all the way up—\$9, \$10, \$11, \$12, \$13, \$14, \$15, etc.

We are giving our customers the best value possible at all times. In every case we are giving them the advantage of any favorable buying, and are adhering to the same margin of profit we received before the war.

This is important: If you will figure your shoe bills by the year we feel sure that you will wear Thayer McNeil Shoes. They will wear better, hold their shape longer, and give more service than any other shoes at their respective prices.

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COUPLE WHO SERVED
IN FRANCE WILL WED

Mr. Edward Caldwell of No. 18 Eastern avenue, Woburn, announced the engagement of her daughter Elva, to Lieutenant George Le Conte Ramsay of the 52d Infantry, at present stationed at Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois. Lieutenant Ramsay is the son of Dr. and Mrs. George J. Ramsay of Raleigh, N. C. Ramsay served in the A. E. F. with the Fifth Division. Miss Caldwell served overseas as a hospital secretary.

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Black and Tan	50c
Broken	50c
ing Hair Nets, all colors,	1.00
cluding gray	1.00
ing Hair Nets, light	1.00
to be made	1.00
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Charlestown High Scores Its First Gridiron Victory

Charlestown High registered the first football victory in its

letting a little thing like that prevent him from making a position in the Crimson rushline.

Bruce Murray, the Crimson captain, is rounding into form again after his hard game Saturday, but the coaches do not intend to have him scrimmage until next week. Phil Phillips, the husky center, is read for business again, but will probably not get into play again until tomorrow. For the present either Charles Havemeyer or Claude Macomber will hold down the pivot post.

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JIMMY HILL

DOPESTERS

Fullerton Declares Figures Failed to Hold Good in Case of White Sox

By HUGH S. FULLERTON.
Cincinnati, Oct. 7.—There is no dope. When the ball players who hit the ball all season long to hit, when the pitchers who fell down in their own electric pitch great ball, and when Stan Patch misjudges a fly ball, well, what is the use? Two misjudged fly balls and two close decisions settled the fifth game and gave the Reds the victory and practically the series. The White Sox full confession, still refusing to believe that a team made up of the Reds were made up can beat them, was not confident enough to turn the tide and get back into the fight for the big part of the game.

They started at Elmer as if to crush him and, as usual, fell down when they had a magnificent chance to do so. Patted in the pinch and after that first inning Elmer settled and pitched them to death. He showed them a slow curve the like of which they have never seen before. The ball which even Elmer, who showed how to pitch, never got to the plate.

He pitched the most remarkable game after the first inning that he has ever seen. A notable series and, for the first time in the history of the game, the pitcher's mound was not a place of honor.

But worse than that, Elmer's ball is a line drive to right field, and after two strikes was called. That would not happen in a real game.

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There is more bitter feeling among the fans and the players than there has been for years. The series has not even been manifested in the past. The players are heavy gamblers, the heaviest ever recorded, and the three remnants of the White Sox. They are ready to go now in fighting for what they need in the earlier game.

There is certain to be a bowl from the White Sox. The fans are sure. In fact, the bitterness was so great that a police officer was sent to the game, and for a while, there was a serious danger of a riot at the White Sox clubhouse. The fans were ready to battle between the teams. It will be because they do not see a chance to meet.

EIGHT MORE INJURED IN TUFTS FOOTBALL.
Tufts hospital last was swelled by eight additional cases of injury. Chas. Sanford, who gradually is developing into a versatile football player, was placed in the backfield, together with Tom Thornton. This pair of backs raised havoc with the defense, scoring three touchdowns. Macdonald and Sturgis made their appearance on the rush line in place of Barrett and Tewksbury.

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STIFF PRACTICE GAME ORDERED AT YALE

New Haven, Oct. 7.—Coach Sharp plans a stiff practice game today between the first and second teams but will not let the game be a real one. The game is to be a practice game, and the players are to be treated as such. The game is to be a practice game, and the players are to be treated as such.

Several experiments regarding different candidates of comparative strength will be carried out today. The game is to be a practice game, and the players are to be treated as such.

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Averages for Five Games

Player	AB	R	H	HR	BB	SO	AVG	SLG	OPS
Fullerton	19	1	3	0	2	0	1.000	0.000	1.000
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SOX DAZED BY WITCHERY OF ELLER

By DAMON RUNYON.
Small Oct. 7.—In the early days there dazed the members of a baseball spinning line. A thing he did was to spin the ball.

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A Gaelic football match will be played between the Gaelic Athletic Association and the Gaelic Athletic Association. The match will be played between the Gaelic Athletic Association and the Gaelic Athletic Association.

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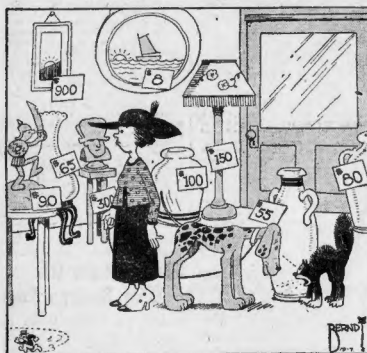
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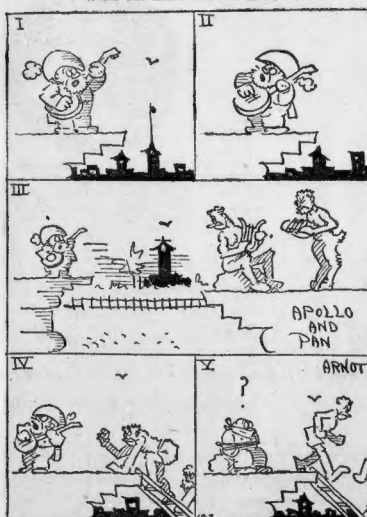
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—JACK McKENNA
YES—SHE'LL BE OF AGE TO MARRY YOU THEN BY THE TIME YOU GET THE NUMBER

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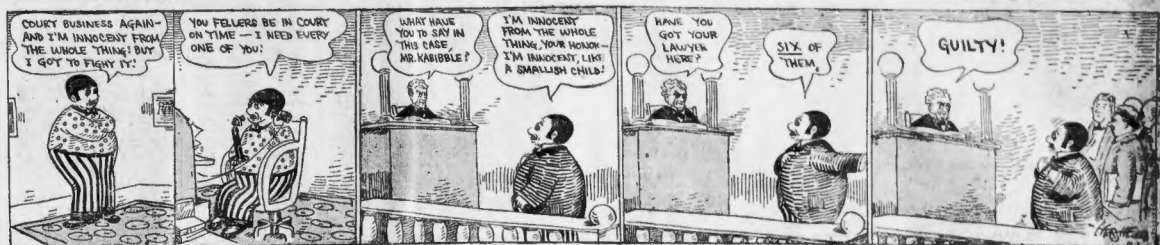
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Pa Is Caught with His Shoes Off

English Editor Who Used His Eyes and Ears Here

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The editor of the London Sphere, Mr. Clement Shorter, has been travelling through the United States. Evidently Mr. Shorter used his eyes and ears intelligently while here.

In a communication printed in the Westminster Gazette Mr. Shorter says:

A small paragraph in the newspapers announces still further the efforts in frustration in Ireland—including the suppression in Cork county of such purely educational agencies as the Gaelic League and the West.

I recently travelled the whole breadth of the United States and was amazed at the effect of Irish propaganda in every city. That small paragraph, almost lost in English newspapers, is the outstanding item of British news in every journal across the water, especially in the West.

It was supported by startling headlines. The English visitor feels vainly for any news from these lares other than prominently printed calls for disunion on some aspect of the Irish misgovernment. This applies as much to the London editor as to the Irish.

The London editor is right about American sentiment toward Ireland.

He is also right in believing that the resumption of the brutal tactics of coercion will undo, and more than undo, all the British propaganda work done by "such pro-English journals as the New York Times and Tribune."

A wholesale repetition of imprisonments, shootings and hangings in Ireland will undo not only the pro-English work of these pro-English New York papers, but ALL the pro-English work of ALL the pro-English propagandists in America, foreign-born and native-born.

Such organizations as the Pilgrims, the National Security League, the American Defence Society and the minor imitations of those propaganda bureaus will have spent all their time and money in vain if the English government they adore is foolish enough to try again to drown Ireland's yearning for freedom in the blood of Irish men, women and children.

The tactics of "Bloody Balfour" cannot again be employed without rousing the fierce indignation of Americans.

Of course, such tactics would be excused and even applauded by the associations we have named and by the New York journals the London editor very truly characterizes as "more English than we are English."

But we do not have such associations or such newspapers in mind when we speak of Americans.

We mean REAL Americans.

Peter Witt's 14 Points

Peter Witt, a well known public character of Ohio, familiar to Boston as the street railway expert who so successfully managed the Cleveland Street Railways on behalf of the public, has sent us a little card which would make a very good editorial, a la "K. C. B."

Here is the card. Think it over:

FOURTEEN POINTS

- The war is over.
- The account stands.
- Eight million dead.
- Twenty million crippled.
- Two hundred billion of indebtedness.
- The wool-sorting thieves rioted.
- The airplane grafters at large.
- The Kaiser untied.
- Game Debs in prison.
- Free speech dead.
- Germany a Republic.
- Ireland a protest.
- Our boys still in Russia.
- Twenty-seven wars still in progress.

Physicians Justified

So the physicians of Roxbury have resolved to increase their fees, raising them in the case of house visits to \$3 and office visits \$2.

The physicians call attention to the fact that there has been no substantial increase in the fees of the general practitioner during the last forty years.

This raise in the cost of the services of a physician is hard on the poor, but seems to be justified by the conditions. It has been predicable to our physicians that they have not taken an earlier opportunity to raise their fees, and have not now raised them even more.

Probably no profession gives so much of its service to the poor as the physician without any compensation whatever.

Doing All the Fighting

Mr. Niland of East Boston writes us the following letter:

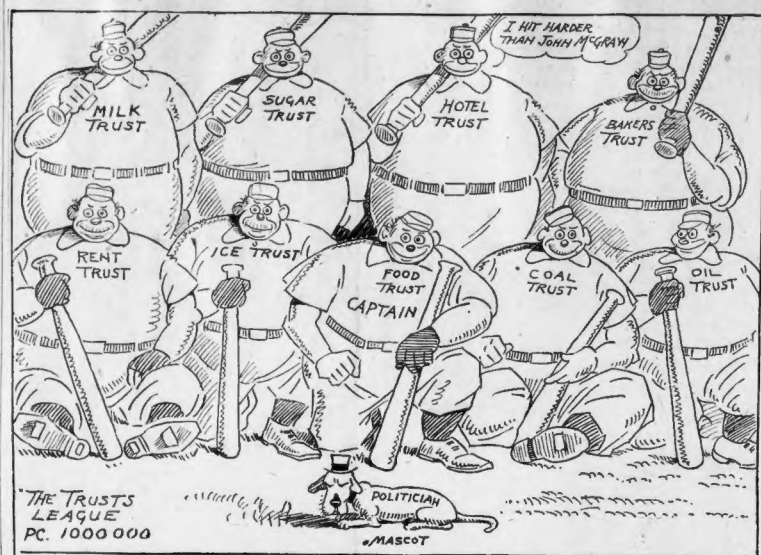
Editor Boston American:
I read with horror your editorial in the American announcing the fact that American soldier boys are being flogged in Russia by a creature called Kalkich, who aims to restore czarism upon the Russian people. I think the time has come for all who call themselves Americans to act. Your editorial furnishes no constructive criticism; something must be done. Your organ owes something to its name and our people. What are you going to do?
THOMAS A. NILAND.

Will Mr. Niland permit us to say that the American has been doing about all the fighting in this community against such things as arouse his horror? If somebody else will take hold and support the American a great deal could be done.

The World's Series

Pick a Winner

By T. E. Powers



Letters to the Editor

Packers and Profitteering

Editor Boston American:
It is about time that the public should know who the real profiteers are. Every day you see in the papers people writing in and asking why the government don't get after the packers and put them in jail. The people who issue such foolish remarks know not whereof they speak. They should dig down and probe into the matter more carefully before they say such things as that.

The packers are not the profiteers. When I say that, I know what I am talking about. My knowledge of this matter has been gained from careful investigation and personal experience with a large packing house, where during the time I was with them I quickly learned who the profiteers were. I am not writing this out of sense of gratitude to them or to show my loyalty, because I am not working for them any longer, but just to tell the public that the grocer or butcher you trade with are the ones who should be thrown in jail. They are the profiteers!

And to prove what I am saying let me give you an illustration: About six months ago when prices were sky-high and everybody was complaining, I went to a butcher in the city of Boston, located on Summer street, was selling his sliced bacon to the public for 50 cents a pound and over. The storekeeper bought that bacon for 39 and 40 cents a pound. Some profit? Other stores in Boston, and especially in the suburbs, were reaping enormous profits from sales in meats. If they sold bacon for less than 50 cents a pound they bought a cheaper brand, you may be sure. The cheapest brand sold for as low as 22 cents a pound, so they could easily charge less. But I'll give credit to some stores. They bought the best brand of bacon (at 52 cents) and thereupon charged more, which was all right. Considering the packers' profits were only two or three cents a pound, it doesn't need the brain of Sam Lloyd to puzzle out which party should have had a nice little profit collected in his neck—does it?

How much did you pay for a nice piece of steak when you went to

your butcher. If your memory hasn't waned, you paid about 60 or 70 cents a pound for it. He paid about 19 or 20 cents a pound for it. (That, of course, means he bought a whole steer and had to sell some parts for almost nothing—but even at that he charged his poor packers for the bones.) Oh! It's a great life! Any time your grocer whines about the high cost of meats that the packers send him, ask him how does he get that way. One good thing that should make us all happy is, prices are tumbling down a trifle every day. It is about time, say we.

Let me say in conclusion: Don't judge too hastily. The packers are treating you right—far better than your own grocer is treating you, and you should appreciate it. I also hope what I have written has opened your eyes and shown you who the real profiteers are!

H. E. BROWN.

Not in Conference

Editor Boston American:
In an editorial in your issue of October 3 you state that three clergymen, "leaders in the Lawrence strike," were called in conference by Mr. Wood of the American Woolen Company at the conclusion of the strike. There is absolutely no basis in fact for this statement. At the end of the strike nor since then have Mr. Wood, Ratel or I been in any kind of conference with high officials of the American Woolen Company. And I do not think that any of the parties on the other side of the controversy like the implication any more than I do.

CEDRIC LONG.

Presents from Potentates

Editor Boston American:
In relation to your interesting article in recent issue of the Boston American on the subject of gifts to our President, I would ask (1) is not this matter fully dealt with in Article I, Section IX, 8th Clause of the Constitution of the United States? And (2) in what instances, if any, has Congress ever given a present to the President by the President of presents from any king, prince, or foreign State?

FRANK B. ATWOOD.

Y^e TOWNE GOSSIP

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By K. C. B.

THEY'D ONLY been married. AND LITTLE girls. JUST A little while. AND BENT old women. AND HE hadn't broken her. AND BENT old men. OF THAT terrible habit. IN SEARCH of food. OF COMING to his office. AND ON the way through. HE CASUALLY mentioned. THAT SEVENTEEN dollars. FOR A pair of stockings. WAS ALMOST a sin. AND WHEN they got home. SHE CRIED a little. AND THE very next morning. THE STOCKINGS went back. AND SHE got her money. AND CHANGED ten dollars. INTO BITS of silver. AND THAT afternoon. SHE WENT back to the street. AT A pair of silk stockings. AND FRANKLY told him. THEY COST seventeen dollars. AND HE'S not a rich man. AND HE laid his face. ON THE top of his desk. AND BREATHED a prayer. THAT HE might have power. TO CONTROL himself. AND GOT His wish. AND ROSE up again. AND SMILED at his wife. AND HAD her wait. WHILE HE got himself ready. TO GO on home. AND THEY led the office. AND HE led her away. THROUGH A very queer street. ON the way to the "L." AND ON this street. ALL along the curb. WERE GREAT big cans. THAT WERE filled with refuse. FROM PRODUCE places. AND DIGGING around. WERE LITTLE boys. I THANK YOU.

BANDITS WHO WEAR THE CLOAK OF CHARITY

By Mrs. Wilson Woodrow.

I wanted some flowers to send to a friend and should walk into your garden and cut your choicest blossoms, you would probably hand me over to a policeman, or, at least, dismiss me with a stern reprimand, and my fond protestations that my friend was ill or dead and that I longed to send a floral tribute would seem to you a very flimsy and immoral excuse.

You would probably say: "If you must have flowers, either beg or buy them, but don't trespass on my garden and steal. For all you know to the contrary, I might have been saving those blossoms to send to one of my own sick friends."

These reflections have been called forth by the following letter which I received from a girl who is the victim of a very common form of highway robbery, the bandit wearing the cloak of charity.

One Girl's Problem

"Dear Mrs. Woodrow: Just to relieve my mind I am writing to you on a subject which has caused me much annoyance. I read all your articles and often find they hit my case exactly. Please help me out on this.

"I am a young woman employed in an office where I earn a moderate salary, enough to keep me in food, the necessary articles of clothing and a few pleasures.

"Now, you know where there are girl employees there is always one of them getting married or else they are absent on sickness. At once, in such cases, a collection is taken up for a present of flowers. An asked to contribute not less than twenty-five cents, and they always say: 'Most of the others are giving fifty cents, and we would like to get that much from everyone.'

"This has happened so often within a short time that I feel compelled to express my feelings on the subject, and as I do not like to go to the higher officials with my complaint I thought I would tell it to you.

"This continual collecting would not be minded so much if the person for whom it was collected was well known, but in almost every case it is for some girl who is a stranger to me. I don't even know existed and who probably has been employed at the place only a month or so. You also find that among girl workers, men don't allow themselves to be bothered by it.

"Sometimes these collectors even go so far as to get money for flowers for some employer's mother who is ill or has died. Fifty cents, then taken from a girl who must look out for herself, or from a man who has a family to support is quite a good lot of money.

"Please don't think a mean spirit prompted this letter. I am hoping you will think it is right and that you will write an article on this subject so that employers will see it will positively prohibit such practices on their premises."

"I do not think, my dear, that a mean spirit prompted your letter, but I do think an intelligent brain did. You state the case very clearly and from the convincing standpoint of an actual sufferer."

Rob Peter to Pay Paul

It is the old story of robbing Peter to pay Paul. The collectors' thoughts are on Paul and the tribute they are about to offer him. They do not stop to consider poor Peter, who with the best will in the world toward Paul, has yet as the French say, his own cats to catch.

The collectors do not give to consider that a girl in paying to the tribute fund may be denying herself the pleasure of contributing in comfort and happiness of others near and dear to her, or that she may have heavy responsibilities of which they know nothing. But in any case we all owe to the right to bestow our gifts as we choose and not under coercion. The custom is an annoying one at best; at worst, it is positively vicious.

SCIENTISTS FEAR FOR HEALTH OF PRESIDENT

President Wilson's health, scientists fear, will never be the same as it was before his trip to Paris last week. The influenza germ which penetrated his system at that time, it is believed, developed neuritis from which the President is not likely to recover wholly. His recent nervousness was attributed to a tour of the West. He is now in the hands of the best doctors in the country. Read the opinion of Dr. Jacobson in next week's

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Today

Strikes and Government Useful Cigarette Man Divorce and Morality Gulf Stream Extra Hot

By Arthur Brisbane

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The English are fortunate to have settled their great and far-reaching quarrel with the government. It is no other agency could have done it.

In this country before or after dangerous trouble, government will have to realize its responsibility for industry and make settling strikes its business.

Schindler, whose name is seen on cigarette boxes, is dead, leaving fifteen millions. His money will build a great new hospital. He leaves three million dollars to ten other hospitals.

This man's house of strange architecture has been pointed out for some years as the home of a man who came here with nothing and quickly made a great deal. Now he is dead, and not he, but hospitals and other institutions have the money. You are glad that foreign countries send men of such energy to help build up this nation. May there be no near sighted, foolish legislation to prevent it.

The President's health is much improved, fortunately, thanks to the inquiring of Senators Pearce and Sherman for an itemized list of the "million dollars" worth of presents brought back from crowded beds of Europe.

Many little boys at Christmas, in these millionaire years, receive presents of greater value than all the Woodrow Wilson presents from "crowned heads." Put up at auction they might sell for eleven hundred dollars on account of royal memories.

Strikes are expensive luxuries. The English railroad strike cost the government five million dollars a day and in addition a loss to business of two hundred and fifty millions. The minimum wage is maintained for a year at \$12.50 a week, which in America would hardly be worth striking for.

After Europe catches up with its own work American workmen and business men have to think seriously on the problem of protection.

Clergymen of the Episcopal Church have made up their minds to marry nobody that has been divorced. Others will marry the divorced, and the marriages will be legal, so that only a moral question is involved.

That question is, if you forbid divorced people to marry, what do you think they will do, and to what extent will you improve and increase what is commonly called morality?

Sailors coming into Norfolk say heat on the water just now is unbearable, because the Gulf Stream is unusually hot. The temperature is reported as "101 degrees 100 miles from the coast." Without the Gulf Stream forever flowing, holding its course through the cold waters of the Atlantic, England would have the temperature of Labrador; Ireland would no longer be a greenisle, but another Greenland.

If we understood engineering on a great scale we could easily modify our northern climate by building a mole to divert the Arctic current and shoot it farther out to sea.

We could construct a big water-gate off the southern coast of Florida and worry no more about England's fleet or power. Uncle Sam could say to Britannia what the janitor in bureau sawpayers says to the tenant: "Behave or I will turn off the heat."

Such suggestions sound preposterous, impossible. In days to come they will seem extremely simple. Men will heat northern countries with the surplus heat of the tropics, and control the great ocean currents as they control steam in an office building.

If Rip Van Winkle could come back to the Catskills he would see interesting proof on a small scale of man's power. The city of New York takes a small river flowing west and away from it, the Hudson, turns it around, brings it through a tunnel under a mountain, connects it with a great flow east and brings the water down to all New York's bath tubs. The river that runs into the lake when Father Dearborn was a boy and now runs away from the lake, carrying Chicago's sewage with it.